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SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 5, 2005

Morgan Hill Civic Center
Council Chambers
17555 Peak Avenue

Senior Advisory Committee

Chair	William Keig
Vice-Chair	Kenneth Mort
Committee Member	Keith Cram
Committee Member	Susan Fent
Committee Member	Staten Johnston
Committee Member	Jeannette Riley
Committee Member	Gloria Subocz

Parks & Recreation	
Commission Liaison	Jeff Bernardini

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Keig called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Susan Fent was absent.

DECLARATION OF POSTING THE AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE

Member Keith Cram

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VERBAL REPORTS

YMCA SENIOR PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE

YMCA Senior Center Director

Patricia Wyman provided the Committee with copies of the YMCA Senior newsletter.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Commission Member Bernardini

Jeff Bernardini was not present. There was no report from the Parks & Recreation Commission.

COA ADVISORY COMMISSION

Representative Fent

Susan Fent was not present. There was no report from the Council on Aging.

COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP (CAG)

Representative Wyman

There was no CAG report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 1, 2005 AND SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2005.

Motion to approve as amended the minutes of both the March 1, 2005 and March 16, 2005 meetings was made by Gloria Subocz and seconded by Keith Cram. Motion carried 6:0.

Motion to send a letter of thanks to the City Manager for the lunch that was provided during the SAC workshop in March was made by Gloria Subocz and seconded by Chair Keig. Motion carried 6:0.

BUSINESS

2. SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Action Item. Approve SAC 2005-2006 Workplan that was developed at the Special Meeting on March 16, 2005.

The SAC Workplan was reviewed. Motion to forward the workplan to the Parks & Recreation Commission as amended was made by Chair Keig and seconded by Keith Cram. Motion carried 6:0.

3. INFORMATION LETTER TO MORGAN HILL SENIORS

Action Item. Approval of letter to Morgan Hill Seniors regarding local senior issues drafted by Chair Keig.

The promotional piece was reviewed and discussed. Motion to direct staff to incorporate the comments of the Committee, rewrite the piece, and table the action until the next regularly scheduled meeting was made by Keith Cram and seconded by Gloria Subocz. Motion carried 6:0.

4. VTA PARATRANSIT

Information Item. Susan Fent will update the Committee on Senior paratransit issues.

In Susan Fent's absence, Chair Keig read a memo from Susan Fent updating the Committee on the latest VTA paratransit issues and proposed changes. These included: 1) VTA will provide transportation to interviews and appeals; 2) VTA will maintain the current eligibility process using Orthopedic Hospital/Nova Care for the interviews; 3) Orthopedic Hospital has admitted to observing clients as they wait in the waiting room and making notes on how they function in this situation; 4) VTA have been giving new paratransit riders category codes without their knowledge and providing no explanation of what the codes mean; 5) a CTA subcommittee will be reviewing the eligibility process and indirectly reporting back to the VTA Board of Directors via the CTA and VTA staff; and 6) effective July 1st, VTA will initiate a \$7.00 one way surcharge (in addition to the current \$3.50 one way charge) for all South County paratransit riders who do not live within $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from where the bus goes.

After discussion, a motion was made by Gloria Subocz and seconded by Keith Cram to oppose the proposed \$7.00 one-way surcharge to South County riders. The motion carried 6:0. Chair Keig will inform Jeff Bernardini of the Parks & Recreation Committee of the SAC motion. Staff will request that the SAC be placed on the next Parks & Recreation agenda in order to express their concerns regarding VTA's proposed surcharge and other paratransit issues.

5. CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE – SANTA CLARA COUNTY NEWS

Information Item. Provide monthly legislative update from California Senior Legislature.

The legislative update was provided in the agenda packet. A motion was made by Gloria Subocz and seconded by Ken Mort to closely read the legislative updates to determine if there was legislation of particular interest to the Committee members with the intent of communicating with the Assemblyman or Senator carrying the bill. Motion carried 6:0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

There were two requests for future items:

1. An Information Item regarding the disposition of the Friendly Inn once senior services are moved to the Indoor Recreation Center.
2. An Information Item regarding staffing and program management at the Indoor Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT to the next monthly meeting scheduled on **May 3, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 17555 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill.**

Chair Keig adjourned the meeting at 2:45 p.m.